MANUFACTURING EXTENSION PARTNERSHIP Success Stories from the Field

KEDDEG

Mid-America Manufacturing Technology Center

Keddeg Company Soars with AS9100B Certification

Client Profile:

Keddeg Company, located in Lenexa, Kansas is a manufacturer of aviation filtration products for the aviation industry. Keddeg's product line includes: cabin air filters, HEPA filters, HEPA-antimicrobial filters, electronic equipment filters, galley filters and coalescers. Founded in 1986, the company currently employs 15 people.

Situation:

Keddeg knew the internationally accepted standard in their industry was AS9100B, which is equivalent to ISO 9000. They also knew their customers wanted them to be certified, so the company contacted the Mid-America Manufacturing Technology Center (MAMTC), a NIST MEP network affiliate, for assistance with AS9100B registration.

Solution:

MAMTC helped document and create Keddeg's policy manual reporting procedures. Next, MAMTC helped the company assess its operations and identify its quality objectives. MAMTC led training sessions for all employees regarding their roles in relation to quality. In addition, MAMTC helped Keddeg conduct their first internal quality audit and trained its audit team to conduct future audits. Internal audits drive continuous improvement by consistently evaluating and reexamining business and manufacturing functions. As a result of MAMTC's assistance, KEDDEG attained AS9100B registration and has a system in place for continuous improvement.

Results:

- * Attained AS9100B certification.
- * Increased/retained sales of \$600,000.
- * Realized \$200,000 in cost savings.
- * Created 1 job.

Testimonial:

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